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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:	)	
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Richard W. Ettinger, Jr.	)	
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Serial No.: 10/616,878	)	Examiner: MOONEYHAM, J.A.
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Filed: July 10, 2003	)	Group Art Unit: 3629
	)	
For: <b>AUTOMATED OFFER-BASED</b>	)	
<b>NEGOTIATION SYSTEM AND</b>	)	
<b>METHOD</b>	)	
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Mail Stop AMENDMENT  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE**  
**ACTION PURSUANT TO 37 CFR §1.111**

Dear Sir:

This Amendment and Response is filed in response to an initial Office Action mailed on October 2, 2006. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the present application in view of the claim amendments and remarks which follow.

**Amendments to the Claims** commence on page 2; and  
**Remarks** commence on page 5.

**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelop addressed to: Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on the date indicated below.

Date: March 26, 2007

  
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